

While I was at Camden Station the events on Pratt street took place, none of which did I see, and therefore cannot speak of them further than that I saw at a distance, and heard the firing of the troops as they passed up Pratt street.

My impression on that day was and still is, that the events arose from a sudden impulse which seized upon some of our people, and that after the firing commenced and blood was shed many persons took part, under an impression that the troops were killing our people, and without knowing the circumstances of provocation which induced the troops to fire.

Matters reached their height after Mr. Davis was killed, and the intense excitement resulting from this and other causes produced a state of feeling which for a time was beyond control on the part of the City authorities.

On Sunday, the 21st of April, whilst you were in Washington, where you had been summoned by the President, a regiment arrived from Pennsylvania, but were fortunately stopped at Cockeysville, about 14 miles off, by the disabled bridge at that point. Any rational man who witnessed the condition of things in Baltimore on that day, can judge of the sad consequences which would have followed if the regiment had entered the City.

Yours very respectfully,

GEO. M. GILL.